

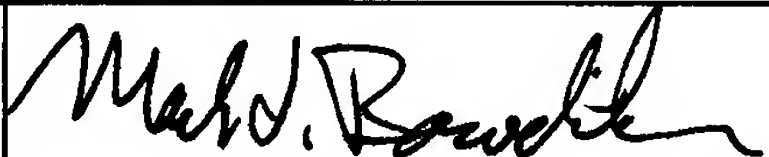
<p align="center">IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</p>	Application No.	10/089,557
	Filing Date	April 1, 2002
	First Named Inventor	Xuebao LI
	Group Art Unit	Unassigned
	Examiner Name	Unassigned
	Attorney Docket No.	2577-139
<p><i>Title of the Invention:</i> ISOLATION AND CHARACTERIZATION OF A FIBER SPECIFIC ACTIN PROMOTER FROM COTTON</p>		

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING
REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §371**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Box PCT
Washington, DC 20231


Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated June 18, 2002, response copy attached, Applicants submit an original Sequence Listing in computer readable form and paper copy and request its entry into the specification. Applicants hereby state that the sequence information contained in the computer readable form and paper copy are the same and contain no new matter.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,					
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<i>Signature</i>		DATE	7/17/02		
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FORM PTO-1390		U.S. Department of Commerce Patent and Trademark Office	Attorney's Docket No. 2577-139A
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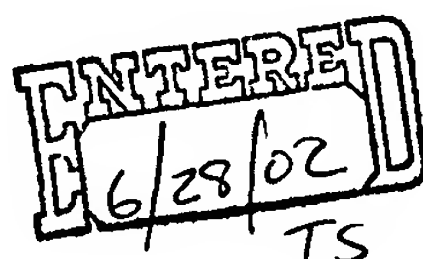
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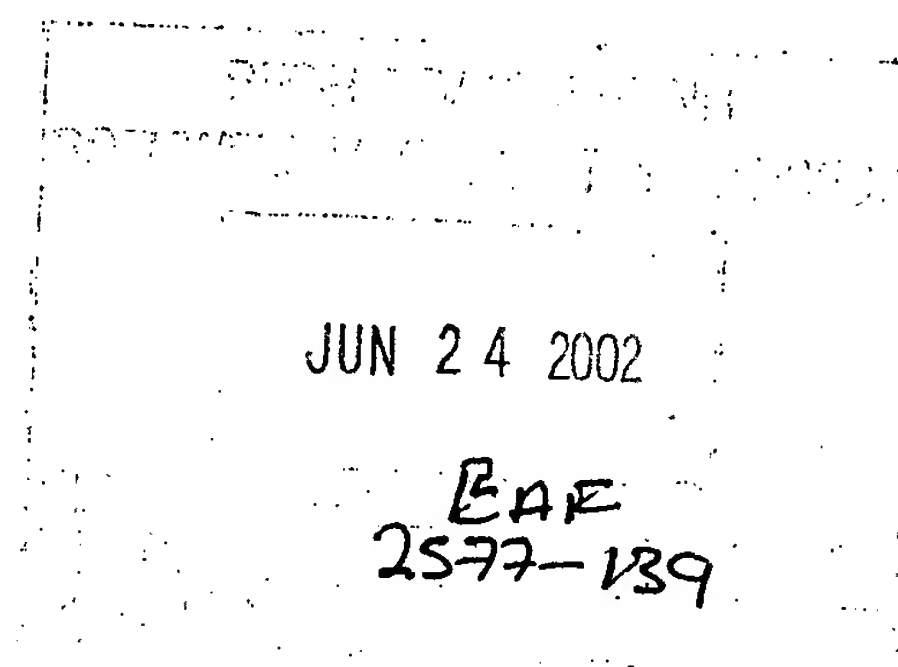
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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated Office (37 CFR 1.494):

- U.S. Basic National Fees
- Assignee Statement
- Biochemical Sequence Listing
- Copy of references cited in ISR
- Copy of the International Application
- Copy of the International Search Report
- Information Disclosure Statements
- Oath or Declaration



The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it:
 - is not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 37 CFR 1.68.
 - Not executed by all inventors.
- \$130 Surcharge for providing the oath or declaration later than the appropriate 20 months months from the priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)) is required.

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below:

- The nucleotide and/or amino acid sequence disclosure contained in this application does not comply with the requirements for such a disclosure as set forth in 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 for the following reason(s):
 - A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e).
 - APPLICANT MUST PROVIDE:
 - An initial or substitute computer readable form (CRF) of the "Sequence Listing."
 - A statement that the contents of the paper or compact disc and the computer readable form are the same and, where applicable, include no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b) or 1.825(d).
- For questions regarding compliance to 37 CFR 1.821-1.825 requirements, please contact:
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SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$130** for a Large Entity:

- **\$130** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
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Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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